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COMMENTS INVITED ON NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (REGION 6) 800 MHz REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN AMENDMENT

(PR DOCKET NO. 90-287)

Comment Date: February 3, 2006

On December 6, 2005, the Region 6 (Northern California)¹ 800 MHz Regional Review Committee submitted a proposed revised Public Safety Plan,² which is a compilation of prior Commission-approved amendments, to replace the original and subsequently submitted amendments on file with the Commission.³ The new Plan document also (1) restates the Plan Attachment G, Table of Channels, to reflect previously-approved channel assignments, including existing licensed systems and new systems; (2) declares the Table of Channels as an open pool and available to all eligible and qualified public safety entities; and (3) includes other minor changes to the text to facilitate the function and administration of the Plan.

Where applicable, Region 6 coordinates its NPSPAC licensing matters with three adjacent regions, Region 5 (Southern California), Region 27 (Nevada) and Region 35 (Oregon). Because the

¹ Region 6 (Northern California) includes all California counties, except Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, Santa Barbara, San Bernadino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo and Ventura counties.

² See Request for Modification of Region VI Plan, dated December 5, 2006, from Art McDole, Chair, Region 6 Review and Revision Committee, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC (submitting modified NPSPAC Plan) filed December 6, 2005 (Revised Plan).

The Region 6 Plan, which was originally adopted by the Commission in November 1990, was amended in 1992, 1994, 1997, 1998 and 2001. See In The Matter of Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, Order, Gen. Docket No. 90-287, 5 FCC Rcd 7123 (PRB 1990); In The Matter of Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, Order, Gen. Docket No. 90-287, 7 FCC Rcd 4908 (PRB 1992); In The Matter of Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, Order, Gen. Docket No. 90-287, 9 FCC Rcd 6128 (PRB 1994); Northern California Area (Region 6) Review and Revision Committee Receives Approval for Minor Amendment to Its Regional Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 90-287, Rep. No. WT 97-33, (rel. Aug. 4, 1997); Region 6 Public Safety Committee Receives Approval for Minor Amendment to Its Regional Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 90-287, 13 FCC Rcd 22522 (PRB 1998); Northern California Area (Region 6) Receives Approval for Minor Amendment to its Regional Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 90-287, 16 FCC Rcd 17663 (PSPWD WTB 2001).

instant submission contains channel assignments and allocations previously coordinated with the adjacent regions, and presents no new inter-regional coordination matters, Region 6 did not obtain letters of concurrence from the adjacent 800 MHz regional planning committees.

In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands.⁴ The National Plan specifies special policies and procedures governing the Public Safety Pool.⁵ Regional plans must include an explanation of how the plan has been coordinated with adjacent regions. For modifications, the regional chair may recommend, in writing, changes to a regional plan, and the Commission will give public notice soliciting comment on any such proposals and issue appropriate orders upon review.⁶

Prior to taking action on the Region 6 Plan Amendment, by this Public Notice, we solicit comments on the Plan Amendment. Pursuant to Sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on the proposed Region 6 Plan Amendment on or before February 3, 2006. All comments should reference General Docket 90-287, and should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

The Plan Amendment can be accessed electronically via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/. Filings and comments are also available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554. Copies also may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554. Customers may contact BCPI through its web site, http://www.bcpiweb.com, by email at fcc@bcpiweb.com, by phone at (202) 488-5300 or (800) 378-3160, or by facsimile at (202) 488-5563.

⁴ See Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment to Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/766-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services, Report and Order, Gen. Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987) (National Plan Report and Order).

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 90.16, Public Safety National Plan.

⁶ See National Plan Report and Order, 3 FCC Rcd at 911 ¶ 57.

⁷ The address for FCC locations should be used only for documents filed by United States Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail. Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered documents for the Commission's Secretary are accepted only by the Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E. Other messenger-delivered documents, including documents sent by overnight mail (other than United States Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) should be addressed for delivery to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. See FCC Announces a New Filing Location for Paper Documents and a New Fax Number for General Correspondence, Public Notice, 16 FCC Rcd 22165 (2001).

⁸ See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).

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